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SUBJ: HAYKAL ARTICLE ON MEETING WITH SECRETARY

WHITE HOUSE PLEASE PASS TO SAM 86970

LONDON FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO

1. FBIS CARRIES HAYKAL'S WEEKLY ARTICLE ON HIS MEETING
WITH SECRETARY DUE FOR PUBLICATION NOV. 16 IN AL AHAM.
SUMMARY FOLLOWS.

HAYKAL SAID SECRETARY SUMMED UP U.S. POLICY IN 7 POINTS:

1. U.S. HAS STRATEGIC INTERESTS IN AREA;
2. SOVIET UNION ALSO HAS INTERESTS IN AREA;
3. U.S. IS TRYING TO ESTABLISH SYSTEM BASED ON
DETENTE BUT WILL NOT LEAVE MIDDLE EAST TO
INFLUENCE OF USSR;
4. U.S. DOES NOT WANT CRISIS TO AFFECT DETENTE
BECAUSE OF DANGER IN CONFRONTATION;
5. U.S. HAS SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL AND

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IS COMMITTED TO ITS SECURITY WHICH CAN BE

MAINTAINED ONLY BY RESTORING ARAB SOVEREIGNTY
(SIC);

6. U.S. RELATIONSHIP WITH ISRAEL IS NOT OPPOSED
TO STRENGTHENING FRIENDSHIP WITH ARABS;
7. U.S. DOES NOT WANT TO BE TRUSTEE OVER AREA.

2. HAYKAL SAID SECRETARY CLAIMED HE COULD NOT EXACTLY FEEL
BASIC ELEMENTS OF MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM AND ADDED HE HATED
FAILURE AND DID NOT WANT TO LOSE ASSET HE HAS IN SUCCESS.

3. HAYKAL SAID SECRETARY POINTED OUT THAT U.S. CANNOT
ALLOW SOVIET ARMS TO ACHIEVE VICTORY AGAINST U.S. ARMS.
QUESTION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH EGYPT OR ISRAEL BUT IS
RELATED TO BALANCE OF POWER BETWEEN TWO SUPER POWERS.
SECRETARY ADDED THAT USSR CAN GIVE ARABS ARMS BUT U.S.
CAN GIVE FAIR SOLUTION WHICH WILL RETURN ARAB LANDS.

4. HAYKAL CLAIMS SECRETARY SAID HE DID NOT BELIEVE ISRAEL
OR ARABS WERE PLEASED WITH WHAT U.S. WAS DOING. NEVERTHE-
LESS, POLITICS IN OUR PRESENT AGE IS NOT MATTER OF
SENTIMENT BUT OF POWER.

5. HAYKAL CONCLUDED:

- A. THAT SECRETARY WAS SERIOUS IN SEARCH FOR
SOLUTION BUT DOES NOT HAVE COMPLETE PLAN;
- B. SECRETARY'S JEWISH BACKGROUND WILL NOT BE
OBSTACLE;
- C. SECRETARY IS CONFIDENT HE CAN SUCCEED UNDER
CURRENT AMERICAN POLITICAL CONDITIONS;
- D. ARAB FUTURE CANNOT REST ON EFFORTS OF ONE MAN;
- E. SECRETARY UNDERRATES IMPORTANCE OF HISTORY OF
MAJOR CONFLICTS;
- F. REALITIES OF POWER IN SECRETARY'S ESTIMATION
PRECEDE ANY OTHER FACTOR AND THUS ARABS MUST
NOT ALLOW POWER RELATIONSHIP TO SWING AGAINST
THEM;
- G. TIME IS NOT AS IMPORTANT TO SECRETARY AS TO
ARABS.

6. HAYKAL CONCLUDES THAT SECRETARY OVERRATES U.S.
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ABILITY TO EXERT PRESSURE ON ISRAEL IN VIEW OF U.S.
INTERNAL POLITICAL SITUATION. HE ADDS THAT SINCE WORLD
POWER IS IMPORTANT TO SECRETARY, ARABS MUST REALIZE
WITHOUT AMBIGUITY IMPORTANCE OF SOVIET ROLE.

7. FBIS IS REPEATING FULL TEXT TO LONDON AND OPERATIONS
CENTER HAS ALERTED J. CRAIG FOR MR. SISCO. RUSH

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